

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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## <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

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RE: MUR 5586

Florida Democratic Party

Dear Mr. Shiver:

On January 12, 2006, the Federal Election Commission reviewed the allegations in your complaint dated October 27, 2004, and found that on the basis of the information provided in your complaint, responses to the complaint and publicly available information, there is no reason to believe that the following persons violated the Act or Commission regulations as alleged in the complaint: Florida Democratic Party; Kerry-Edwards 2004, Inc. and David Thorne, in his official capacity as treasurer; DNC Services Corporation/Democratic National Committee and Andrew Tobias, in his official capacity as treasurer; Florida AFL-CIO; Florida Education Association; Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers; Florida SEIU; and Representative Kendrick Meek. In addition, the Commission dismissed the complaint as to Florida Democratic Victory 2004. Accordingly, on January 12, 2006, the Commission closed the file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). A copy of the dispositive General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

Sincerely,

Lawrence H. Norton

General Counsel

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Enclosure

General Counsel's Report